

ERROR DETECTING CIRCUIT  
FOR DETECTING THE LOCATION OF ERROR

Abstract of the Disclosure

5           An error detecting circuit for quickly detecting the  
location of an error is provided. The error detecting  
circuit has an error data storing unit and an error data  
collecting unit. The error data storing unit divides a  
10       circuit which is implemented in a chip into predetermined  
areas and outputs a plurality of error signals in response  
to a plurality of state error signals, a serial chain  
signal, a lock-enable signal, and a chip error signal.  
Each of the plurality of state error signals is enabled  
15       when an error occurs in the corresponding predetermined  
area. The serial chain signal is for reading the plurality  
of state error signals stored in the chip if the chip goes  
out of order when an error occurs in the circuit  
implemented in the chip. The lock-enable signal is for  
20       determining whether or not to preserve the plurality of the  
generated state error signals. The error data collecting  
unit outputs the chip error signal in response to the  
plurality of error signals output from the error data  
storing unit. The error data storing unit stores and  
25       outputs at least one of the plurality of state error  
signals and, in response to the serial chain signal,  
enables a confirmation of at least one of the state error  
signals stored in the error data storing unit.